Statement of Appointments made by the Director of Registration.

4. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a list of the appointments and transfers made by the Director of Registration from the 1st Chingam 1102 to the 15th Kumbham 1102?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

Number of appointments—72.
Number of transfers—275.

Registry of Lands for Tea and Rubber Cultivation.

5. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of applications received during the past three years (1099-1101) for the registry of *puduval* lands suitable for the cultivation of tea and rubber;

(*b*) the total area registered during the past three years (1099-1101) and

(*c*) the names of the various persons in whose names lands were so registered together with the extent of land registered and the name of each?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 120 applications.

(*b*) and (*c*) A statement * containing the required information is laid on the table.

Assigment of Puduval Lands.

6. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing:

(*a*) the number of assignments of *puduval* lands to the extent of 100 acres and more made in 1100, 1101 and up to the 25th Minam in 1102;

(*b*) the names of persons to whom such assignments were made;

(*c*) the names of taluks and *pakuthies* where the lands so assigned lie; and

(*d*) the extent of the land so assigned in the name of each person?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) to (*d*). A statement† containing the required particulars is laid on the table.

Appointments on and above Rs. 100.

7. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) the number and names of permanent appointments carrying a pay of Rs. 100 and above made from Edavam 1100 up to Minam 1102 : and

(*b*) the names of persons so appointed ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The Government do not propose to call for the information as in their opinion the time and labour involved in preparing the statement would be out of proportion to its public utility.

Government Gazette and the Newspapers Regulation.

8. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Travancore *Government Gazette* falls within Section 2 (*b*) of the Newspapers Regulation, V of 1101, under which "Newspaper" means "any periodical work containing public news"; and

(*b*) whether the Superintendent, Government Press, who is the printer and publisher of the *Government Gazette*, has taken a license for printing and publishing the same ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), this question does not arise.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether the opinion of the Law Officer was obtained with regard to this interpellation ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Is it his opinion that the *Government Gazette* does not come within the definition given in the Newspapers Regulation, or the Government did not want to bring it under the Regulation ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is the opinion of the Law Officer that it does not come under the Newspapers Regulation.

Proposed English Middle School at Agastisvaram.

9. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware of the representation made by Mr. Sivasubrahmanya Nadar of Agastisvaram at the 22nd and 23rd sessions of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly regarding the desirability of an English Middle School at Agastisvaram, and, if so, whether the report was received from the Director of Public Instruction as to its necessity ;

(*b*) whether the permanent Director, on the recommendation of Messrs. James Pryde, Srinivasa Aiyar and Sankararama Aiyar, sanctioned the opening of such school ;

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